



# CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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## SUMMARY OF THE CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT 2012/13

The Chairman's Annual Report set out some of the key highlights from the work of the Parish Council over the previous financial year...

Councillor John Peebles started by recognising the dedication of the Councillors who help to support the work of the Parish Council. He gave special thanks to Janet Mitchell the Clerk who puts in extra hours for the Council and also to the RFO, Jayne Venables who joined the Council in November 2012. He gave thanks to the outgoing RFO, Julia Ford who had resigned in December 2012 owing to other work commitments.

He spoke of his disappointment that despite the fight put up against the housing proposals on Durkar Lane by Taylor Wimpey Homes, building work had now begun.

The Chair noted the Queen's Jubilee celebrations and the commemorative bench placed at the front of the Village Institute funded by the Parish Council.

He spoke of the Grand Re-Opening of the BMX track in Betty Eastwood Park in August 2012 following resurfacing works. The tape was cut by District Councillor Maureen Cummings who was a District and Parish Councillor here in Crigglestone as well as Parish Clerk. The event was very well attended by residents and young people. The police donated four BMX/mountain bikes that they had reconditioned and these were raffled off to the young people who attended the event.

The Chair gave thanks to all the kind sponsors of hanging baskets, who helped contribute to a good floral display throughout the Parish.

He reflected on the ceremony to re-dedicate the miners' memorial painting led by Canon Ian Gaskell in September and attended by families of those who had lost their lives in the colliery disaster in 1941.

He talked of the £8,000 of funding given to West Yorkshire Police by the Parish Council to increase police presence in the parish and help to cut crime overall.

He reported that two grants were made: one to Sandal & Chevet Guides towards Brownies' craft supplies, and one to the Friends of Betty Eastwood Park towards insurance costs. Financial help was given to the Hall Green Community Centre towards the electrical costs of their new Christmas tree.



**Canon Ian Gaskell stands next to the miners' memorial painting as he leads the re-dedication ceremony.**



He spoke of the Community Hero Awards where a good number of candidates had been nominated and hoped this would continue. He congratulated Len and Cynthia Binns who were the winners for their work at the Hall Green Community Centre.

Finally, he gave thanks to the Parish Councillors who he said; "give great input and also want what is best for the parish". He also gave thanks to Councillor Daniels, the Vice Chair for his help over the year.

## ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MAY 2013

The Parish Council elected Councillor John Peebles to serve as Chair for the coming year and to support him Councillor Peter Daniels was elected Vice Chair.



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## CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS 2012/13

### INCOME

	£
Precept	49,000.00
Hanging Basket Sponsorship	1,820.00
Other Income	4,250.84

**55,070.84**

### EXPENDITURE

	£
Staff Costs	9,327.98
Office Administration	2,711.94
Courses/Conferences/Training	240.00
Insurances	2,680.91
Audit Fee	575.00
Subscriptions	179.50
Parish Elections - Parish Communications	2,105.25
VAT Paid	2,446.05
Parks & Open Spaces	4,252.17
Hanging Baskets	4,433.50
War Memorials	-
Community Buildings	4,219.45
Additional Policing (S31)	7,000.00
Professional Fees	-
Grants & Donations	2,712.87
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>42,884.62</b>

### SURPLUS

**£12,186.22**

For more information or to view the full accounts please contact Joanie Massey, the Responsible Financial Officer on 01226 728600 or by email at [rfo@crigglestonepc.org](mailto:rfo@crigglestonepc.org) to make an appointment.



## LOTTERY FUNDED

**BIG LOTTERY AWARD** BIG is responsible for distributing £600 million each year, 40% of all the money raised for good causes by the National Lottery. This totals around £6 billion since 2004. And now some of this money is coming to Crigglestone!

Following an idea from the Friends of Betty Eastwood Park and after a lot of form filling, we are all really delighted to announce that the Council has been awarded an Awards for All grants of £5,664 towards the Betty Eastwood Park Footpath Access Project. The work will upgrade the existing informal network of paths in the Park to provide cleaner, safer and more accessible routes for all park users. Using recycled materials, the project has been designed to address comments from local people about the state of the paths and we hope it will make a big difference for the local community and that it will encourage more people to use the Park. The project will be launched on Wednesday 31st July as part of Love Your Parks Week.

To find out more about the project, contact the Friends of Betty Eastwood Park via Councillor Margaret Skinner on 07754 073344.

## SUMMER FUN EVENTS

### LOVE WHERE YOU LIVE EVENT - 31ST JULY

Are you keen to improve your local area? If so why not come and join us in Betty Eastwood Park on Wednesday 31st July at 11am and take part in the Love Where You Live event.

The day will be supported by Wakefield Council, Crigglestone Parish Council, Friends of Betty Eastwood Park, Riverside Housing Association, West Yorkshire Police and Wakefield and District Housing. There will be lots of fun things to do including sporting activities, security bike stamping and community litter picks. Everyone is welcome so why not come along. For further information contact: Helen Walker, Neighbourhood Area Coordinator from Wakefield Council on 01924 305180.

### HALL GREEN COMMUNITY GALA 18TH AUGUST

The 2013 Gala will be held on Sunday 18th August at 1.00pm. If you wish to present a display on behalf of your organisation or book a stall please contact Cynthia on [cynthiabinnis@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:cynthiabinnis@yahoo.co.uk) or telephone 01924 251544 for a booking form. There will be a £10 charge for each stall: **please bring your own table**

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The Parish Council meets on the first Tuesday of each month in the Village Institute at 7pm. (No meeting held in August)

